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## Mission Statement:

*The Arkansas Department of Emergency Management will provide a management system that effectively and efficiently provides mitigation of and recovery from the effects of natural and man-caused disasters.*

*This goal is accomplished through a series of programs designed to identify all disasters threatening the State; assist state agencies, local governments, volunteer and other organizations in determining the means to mitigate disaster effects; develop procedures for fast and efficient deployment of identified resources to effectuate mitigation and recovery; continually exercise all plans, evaluate results and make modifications to ensure procedures are effective; and, coordinate the efforts of all organizations responding to disasters.*

## [A Message to Arkansans on the Anniversary of September 11](#)

W.R. "Bud" Harper, ADEM Director  
Homeland Security Point of Contact for Arkansas



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**National Threat Level**  
**Level**

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**ELEVATED**

Significant Risk of Terrorist Attacks

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Significant Risk of Terrorist Attacks

To learn what individuals, families, neighborhoods, schools, and businesses should do during different terrorism threat levels, visit the [Red Cross Homeland Security Advisory System](#) site.

[CSEPP Evacuation Route Signs Begin Going Up](#)

[Arkansas Department of Health West Nile Virus site](#)

**Brochures on Terrorism**

The Arkansas Department of Emergency Management and the Criminal Justice Institute created the following brochures on terrorism. The files are readable with Adobe Acrobat and printable on legal-size paper.

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**Guide to Preventing Terrorism in Our Counties**

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## Governor's Office of Emergency Services

Dallas Jones  
Director

### What's New

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**OES, Japan's Shizuoka Prefecture Sign Emergency Management Partnership Agreement, Details and Information** ▶ [more...](#)

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<b>LOW</b> Low Risk of Terrorist Attacks	<b>GUARDED</b> General Risk of Terrorist Attacks	<b>ELEVATED</b> Significant Risk of Terrorist Attacks	<b>HIGH</b> High Risk of Terrorist Attacks	<b>SEVERE</b> Severe Risk of Terrorist Attacks
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[Click Here For More Information](#) (Adobe Acrobat Document)

#### OPS Created

Colorado's Office of Preparedness and Security (OPS) was created by an emergency Executive Order issued by Governor Bill Owens on November 7, 2001, in response to the horrendous terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon on September 11, 2001. These unexpected terrorist attacks, which were heretofore considered highly improbable, identified a critical need to bring focus and structure to terrorism prevention and preparedness planning within Colorado. The Office was also created in anticipation of being a necessary conduit for supporting the future counterterrorism activities and programs of the new federal Office of Homeland Security, headed by Governor Tom Ridge

#### Mission Statement

The mission of the OPS, in coordination with other public and private sector organizations, is to promote prevention, preparedness, communications, and counterterrorism intelligence sharing capabilities and enhance the Colorado crisis management structure to combat domestic and international terrorism. The strategy will include: implementing measures to reduce our vulnerabilities; deterring terrorism through a clear public policy; enhancing the rapid and effective response to threats or actual terrorist acts; and developing sufficient capabilities to combat and manage the consequences of terrorist incidents involving Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD).

#### Public Comment

We are seeking public input on the proposed Office of Homeland Security threat advisory system that will enable the OPS to tailor the advisories to meet the specific needs of government entities, private industry, and the public here in Colorado. If you have suggestions or recommendations on how to improve the threat advisory system for use here in Colorado, please send them to the OPS using the following e-mail link.

[ops-comment@cdps.state.co.us](mailto:ops-comment@cdps.state.co.us)

#### Terrorism/Weapons of Mass Destruction Training Newsletter

[read more..](#)(Adobe Acrobat Document)

#### Governor Appointed as a Member of the NIAC

We are pleased to announce that Governor Bill Owens has been appointed as a member of the National Infrastructure Advisory Committee (NIAC) [read more..](#)

#### Joint Statement of Attorney General John Ashcroft and Homeland Security Adviser Tom Ridge

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#### Owens announces State plans for Homeland Security

Plan will help protect Colorado's citizens and key assets  
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#### Bioterrorism Questions and Answers

Since the terrorist attacks, there have been an increased number of requests for information from members of the public about a wide range of bioterrorism preparedness issues. To help respond to these inquiries, we have provided answers to frequently asked questions.

[Read Q&A](#)

#### Homeland Security and Advisory System

The federal Office of Homeland Security (OHS) recently announced a proposed national threat advisory system that will be used to inform government entities, private industry, and the public as to the risk of a terrorist attack based on available intelligence, etc. The following link will connect you to the news release that was published on the [White House Web](#) to provide a description of this proposed system

# State of Connecticut

## Department of Public Safety Division of Protective Services

### Divisions:



**Vincent J. DeRosa**  
Deputy Commissioner

**Captain John J. Buturla**  
Executive Officer

## Our Mission

Current National  
Threat Level

**ELEVATED**

It is the mission of the Department of Public Safety, Division of Protective Services, to utilize all available resources within state government to develop and implement unified safety and security measures to prevent, mitigate and manage incidents threatening the quality of life of the citizens of the State of Connecticut.

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**For the second time in less than a year, anthrax has been found in the State of Connecticut. This time it was not the result of a new bioterrorist attack, but rather the discovery of a small sample found at the mail-sorting facility in Wallingford. It appears that some anthrax spores were dislodged during clean-up operations that were conducted after the death of Otilie Lundgren of Oxford, who died from the inhalation form of anthrax.**

**Since the outbreak of anthrax attacks in the United States in September 2001, many of us may have forgotten what we should do, if we encounter a suspected letter. [Click here for the recommendations from The Center for Disease Control for handling a suspicious letter or package.](#)**



## **[Homeland Security Advisory System](#)**

The Homeland Security Advisory System will provide a comprehensive and effective means to disseminate information regarding the risk of terrorist attacks to Federal, State, and local authorities and to the American people. For more information please visit the [Advisory System](#) (PDF 147K) chart.

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## Message From Governor Jeb Bush

*"Especially after the attacks of September 11, Floridians want to be sure they and their loved ones are safe. We have made great efforts in Florida to ensure them that they are, with several initiatives designed to thwart any attempt to intimidate our people. I hope the following information will prove helpful."*

## Domestic Security News

- [Governor Bush Announces Florida National Guard Support For Ports And Nuclear Plants](#)
- [Florida Domestic Security Executive Order & Advisory Panel](#) - [Attachment](#)
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## Public Safety & Prevention Protocols

- [Suspicious Mail Protocol](#)
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- [The Campaign Against Terrorism](#) Prepared by the Office of Strategic Initiatives. Provided through the Coalition Information Center (C.I.C.), The White House.

## Anthrax

- [Commonly Asked Questions & Facts About Anthrax](#)
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## Reporting Suspicious Activity

In addition to reporting information to your local law enforcement agencies, contact information is provided below for state and federal law enforcement agencies:

- [Florida Department of Law Enforcement - Office of Statewide Intelligence](#)
- [Florida Department of Law Enforcement Offices](#)
- [FBI Offices in Florida](#)

#### **Related Links**

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[Georgia Homeland Security Task Force: Media Advisory 10/10/2001](#)

[FBI NATIONAL PRESS OFFICE: Al-Qa'ida Leaders Threatened Attacks Against U.S. Economic Interests](#)

[Homeland Security Task Force: "Georgia Returns to Code Yellow Alert, But America Still at Risk of Attack"](#)

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[Homeland Security Task Force: "Georgians Should Honor September 11th Victims With Vigilance and Awareness"](#)

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[Bulletin - October 9, 2002](#) (PDF)

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## Alert

### Current Nationwide Threat Level:



The Illinois Homeland Security Advisory System is announcing that the Threat Level Classification has been changed from Orange (High Risk of Terrorist Attacks) to Yellow (Significant Risk of Terrorist Attacks) on September 23, 2002, until further notice.

The Illinois Emergency Management Agency is recommending that county and local units of government consider implementing the following protective actions from the "[County and Municipal Government Guidelines for Implementation of the State of Illinois Homeland Security Advisory System](#)"

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## National News

### [07/16/02 - President Releases National Strategy for Homeland Security](#)

This document is the first National Strategy for Homeland Security. The purpose of the Strategy is to mobilize and organize our Nation to secure the U.S. homeland from terrorist attacks. This is an exceedingly complex mission that requires coordinated and focused effort from our entire society -- the federal government, state and local governments, the private sector, and the American people.

### [06/06/02 - President Proposes Creation of Homeland Security Department](#)

In a nationwide address, President Bush announced his proposal to create the Department of Homeland Security.

### [03/12/02 - Gov. Ridge Announces Homeland Security Advisory System](#)

The Homeland Security Advisory System will provide a comprehensive and effective means to disseminate information regarding the risk of terrorist attacks to Federal, State, and local authorities and to the American people.

## State News

### [09/10/02 - Governor Ryan Says Illinois is Ready for Higher State of Alert; Requests Continued Vigilance by Illinois Residents](#)

CHICAGO-- Governor Ryan issued the following statement after the White House Office of Homeland Security's decision to raise the alert status to orange, or a high state of alert:

### [09/06/02 - Governor Ryan, State Officials Present Update on Homeland Security in Illinois](#)

*Illinois' Terrorism Task Force Commended for over Two Years of Service*

CHICAGO – Governor George H. Ryan along with Illinois Homeland Security Director Matthew Bettenhausen, state agency directors and state and local law enforcement officials today announced the progress of Illinois' Homeland Security preparation since the heinous attacks of September 11, 2001.

### [08/28/02 - Governor Ryan Announces Illinois' September 11th Memorial Service](#)

SPRINGFIELD – Governor George H. Ryan will mark the one-year anniversary of the tragic events of September 11, 2001 in an

[01/30/02 - President Creates Citizen Corps](#)

The Citizen Corps will enable Americans to volunteer to participate directly in homeland security efforts in their own communities. Citizen Corps will be coordinated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

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8:30 A.M. ceremony on the state capitol plaza between the firefighter and police officer memorials.

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[08/23/02 - Governor Ryan Uses  
Amendatory Veto Powers on Terrorism Bill,  
Urges Reforms of System Before  
Expanding Death Penalty](#)

SPRINGFIELD -- Governor George H. Ryan used his amendatory veto powers on a controversial anti-terrorism bill that includes a new capital offense for convicted terrorists. The Governor kept the original provisions of the terrorism bill intact but insisted the General Assembly also include comprehensive reforms of the state's flawed capital punishment system before adding yet another crime to the death penalty eligibility factors.

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**Joint Statement of Attorney General John Ashcroft  
and Homeland Security Adviser Tom Ridge on  
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**Get involved with the Community-Based Tool Kit.** [\(link\)](#)

**Iowa Homeland Security Employee Information  
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**Alert level reduced back to  
'elevated' as of 09/24/2002.**  
**(Threat Advisory Level Definitions)**



This site was created to give Kentucky citizens the very latest information on homeland security issues in Kentucky. Information is updated on a regular basis.

**Office for Security Coordination**

## Governor's Executive Summit on Homeland Security

Wednesday, November 20, 2002  
Owensboro, Kentucky

To educate and prepare Kentuckians on preventing terrorist activities and to develop measures to protect our communities, Governor Patton, Adjutant General Allen D. Youngman, and the Governor's Homeland Security Team are hosting the Governor's Executive Summit on Homeland Security.

For more information:  
<http://homelandsummit.ky.gov>



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# Louisiana Homeland Security

## State Response



The Louisiana House of Representative's Special Committee on Louisiana Homeland Security was created to provide legislative leadership and assistance in the coordination of state efforts to secure the state of Louisiana from terrorist threats and attacks. This committee, together with the Governor's Louisiana Domestic Terrorism Advisory Committee, is committed and privileged to serve the citizens of this great state in this vital task of assuring a safe and healthy environment. [Read More...](#)

## State Readiness



Here citizen's can find related links to State departments, agencies, and programs, in their efforts at preventing and responding to threats and potential threats that confront this state, including natural disasters. [Read More...](#)

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## Citizen's Guide

The citizen's of Louisiana are undoubtedly its greatest asset. Learn how you can become an active participant in the state's coordinated effort to secure Louisiana from terrorist threats and attacks. [Read More...](#)



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9/11. It's a date that's permanently ingrained in our national consciousness. On that fateful day, we were violently reminded that our world is not a safe one. Threats exist, and whether or not those threats become reality is, to a certain extent, within our control.

As Governor, I am committed to the safety and security of the people of Mississippi. State agencies are working together to ensure the protection of the innocent from those who would harm them. There is a role to be played in this work by the average citizen as well, a role that requires vigilance, caution and common sense.

This website has been established to assist you in that role, and I hope you will visit it often for updates and information.

May God bless Mississippi, and God bless America!

Ronnie Musgrove

As we enter a new phase in this country's history, our efforts to secure our homeland have become a major component of our overall preparedness. The Mississippi Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), as the State Office of Homeland Security, is working with other State and Local agencies to ensure that we provide a comprehensive preparedness and response capability in every community across the State. The success of this effort depends on local emergency management agencies, fire service, law enforcement, emergency medical services, and the private sector.

At the same time, every citizen has a major role in our State's security through awareness, education and preparedness. The citizens represent the foundation of our efforts to make this State not only a great place to live, but also a safe place to live.

May God continue to bless Mississippi and America!

Robert Latham  
Director of MEMA

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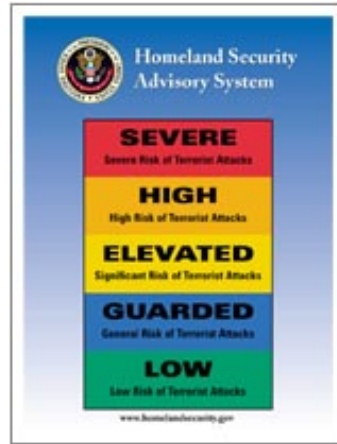
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- Increasing surveillance of critical locations;
- Coordinating emergency plans as appropriate with nearby jurisdictions;
- Assessing whether the precise characteristics of the threat require the further refinement of preplanned Protective Measures; and
- Implementing, as appropriate, contingency and emergency response plans.

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## Information on How to Handle Suspicious Mail

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Health Alerts and other information concerning emergency/terrorism response from a healthcare perspective. ([Read more.](#))

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Protecting and safeguarding the citizens of the state from terrorist threats and/or attacks is a critical function of state government, requiring extensive coordination between state and local partners in conjunction with the federal response agencies. Governor Mike Johanns' Homeland Security initiative is designed to develop, coordinate and implement a comprehensive strategy for the protection of the citizens and assets of Nebraska from attacks using weapons of mass destruction - chemical, biological and nuclear.

Governor Johanns has appointed Lt. Governor Dave Heineman Chairman of the Nebraska Homeland Security Policy Group. This group is charged with assessing strategic alternatives and recommending broad courses of action for the development of the comprehensive strategies.

Nebraska, as are all states, is vulnerable to terrorist attacks. By accessing any of the state agency web sites, you can learn more about Nebraska's team effort to respond to and recover from terrorist attacks.

Nebraska Department of Administrative Services <http://www.doc.state.ne.us/>

Nebraska Department of Education <http://www.nde.state.ne.us>

Nebraska Health and Human Services <http://www.hhs.state.ne.us>

Nebraska Game and Parks Commission <http://www.ngpc.state.ne.us/homepage.html>

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Nebraska Agriculture Department <http://www.agr.state.ne.us>

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If you are a member of a local fire or police department or ems team, you can go to the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency's web site at <http://www.nebema.org> and click on Training to see what classes might be available to you.



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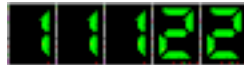
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### **What is the Task Force?**

Governor Bob Taft established the State of Ohio Security Task Force to develop a coordinated, comprehensive state strategy to address security issues. Every day, the task force shares information and discusses time-sensitive issues affecting Ohio and initiates proactive steps to enhance security efforts.

Lt. Governor Maureen O'Connor chairs the task force and reports directly to Homeland Security Director Tom Ridge in Washington, D.C. Lt. Governor O'Connor recently named Colonel Homer A. Smith as the task force Security Coordinator. In this capacity, Colonel Smith will report to Lt. Governor O'Connor on all state security matters and assist in the implementation of Task Force security recommendations.

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### **How is the Task Force organized?**

The State of Ohio Security Task Force is organized into six committees:

#### Law Enforcement

- ✓ Chaired by Colonel Ken Morckel, Superintendent of the State Highway Patrol, Ohio Department Public Safety

- ✓ The committee will focus on the detection, surveillance, intelligence gathering, and investigation of anti-terrorism issues. The committee will work with state, federal and local agencies and private industry to identify critical infrastructures and develop protection guidance.

#### Transportation Security

- ✓ Co-chaired by Director Gordon Proctor, Ohio Department of Transportation, and Chairman Alan

## Schriber, Ohio Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

✓ The committee will focus on key asset, border, territorial waters and airspace security issues. The committee will work with adjacent states, federal agencies including the United States Coast Guard, Immigration, Naturalization Service and the Federal Aviation Administration to identify weaknesses and develop security recommendations.

## Technology, Research, and Development

✓ Co-chaired by Director Scott Johnson, Ohio Department of Administrative Services, and Director Domingo Herraiz, Office of Criminal Justice Services

✓ The committee will identify threat management tools and services. It will also ensure that government employees with responsibilities for protecting information systems are adequately trained and evaluated. The committee will review the state's ability to withstand a cyber attack and develop mitigation techniques to prevent potential attacks.

## Medical and Public Health Preparedness

✓ Co-chaired by Dr. Nick Baird, Ohio Department of Health, and Director Fred Dailey, Ohio Department of Agriculture

✓ The committee will focus on public health training and detection for overt and covert biological terrorism events. The committee will also assess the current state of readiness in the public health arena and identify issues and potential solutions.

## Emergency Preparedness

✓ Co-chaired by Executive Director Dale Shipley, Emergency Management Agency, Ohio Department of Public Safety and Director Chris Jones, Ohio Environment Protection Agency

✓ The committee will focus on consequence management following a terrorist attack or incident. The committee is responsible for the activities of two subcommittees: Preparedness Training, Exercise and Evaluation and WMD Consequence Management.

## Funding and Legislation

✓ Co-chaired by Lt. Governor Maureen O'Connor and Attorney General Betty D. Montgomery

✓ This committee will focus on amending current and initiating future legislation that addresses the crisis or consequence management of a terrorist incident.

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### **Is the Task Force the first Ohio committee to address homeland security?**

No. Ohio began looking at terrorist threats as far back as 1996 when the Department of Health assisted law enforcement in the arrest of Larry Wayne Harris, who attempted to purchase a bio-terrorist substance. Other anti-terrorist highlights include:

## October 2002

### Additional Homeland Security Seminars Planned

- ✓ Planning currently is underway for a series of regional homeland security seminars in Ohio in October. Teams of county officials will be invited to these meetings, which were promised in mid-2000 as part of the statewide Terrorism 2000 briefing hosted by the lieutenant governor.
- ✓ The October follow-up meetings are expected to include a series of briefings on developments to date and breakout sessions where first responders from several counties can meet together to coordinate regional homeland security efforts.

## July 2002

### Ohio Submits Homeland Security Grant

- ✓ Ohio EMA submits application for U.S. Department of Justice 2002 grant dollars totaling \$9.897 M. The majority of the funding is allocated for local first responder equipment and coordinated by county emergency management agencies. Ohio's grant. Ohio's grant is the 7th largest in the country. The federal grant, which is expected to be approved by federal evaluators by late summer, includes authority, for the first time, to use part of the grant for training and exercises. Ohio's plan sets aside more than \$400,000 for that.

## June 2002

### Intrastate Mutual Aid Legislation Introduced

- ✓ New legislation introduced in June will enable all local emergency teams to cooperate more efficiently with other response teams.
- ✓ The Intrastate Mutual Aid Bill will establish a statewide inventory of services, equipment, supplies, personnel, and other disaster response equipment. The stored information will then become part of an innovative communication network that can assess needs and match resources.
- ✓ The bill requires all local political subdivisions to prepare a plan for responding to emergencies, and for an orderly evacuation when necessary. These plans and protocols are already in development under the direction of a State of Ohio Security Task Force Committee. The Emergency Preparedness Committee, one of six committees that make up the task force, continues to focus on consequence management following a terrorist attack or incident. It has initiated additional first responder training and set protocol on how to successfully transition from responding to a scene to responding to the human needs that follow a crisis.

### ODH Receives CDC Bioterrorism Funds

- ✓ CDC announces award of \$34 million in bioterrorism funds to ODH, local hospitals and local health departments.

### Nuclear Incident Exercise

- ✓ Ohio EMA conducts a simulated full-scale emergency exercise conducted involving Beaver Valley Nuclear Plant.

## May 2002

### Lt. Governor Delivers Homeland Security Dollars to Ohio Counties

- ✓ Lt. Governor Maureen O'Connor, chair of the State of Ohio Security Task Force, presents checks totaling more than \$207,000 to four Ohio counties. All 88 counties are slated to receive homeland security grant dollars in the coming weeks to purchase first responder equipment to enhance homeland security efforts. In all, the U.S. Department of Justice earmarked \$5.4 million dollars to Ohio during this initial round of homeland security grants.



✓ This is the one of the first allocations of federal funds to Ohio for equipment purchases as part of the joint federal/state homeland security effort and is part of the Ohio Domestic Preparedness Program coordinated by the Ohio EMA and the State of Ohio Security Task Force. Equipment purchases must fall within one of four categories: communications, detection, decontamination and personal protection.

#### Governor Signs Anti-Terrorism Bill

✓ Governor Bob Taft signs Substitute Senate Bill 184, sponsored by Senator Robert Spada (R-Parma Heights), to update Ohio's laws to effectively address acts of terrorism. Based on a similar law in New York, Senate Bill 184 creates a clear definition for acts of terrorism, would allow law enforcement officers to pursue persons who interfere with the prosecution of terrorist activities and increases the penalties for persons convicted of terrorism. The bill contains an emergency clause and goes into effect immediately upon the Governor's signature.

#### Community Policing Forum

✓ The Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services and the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police conducted a statewide forum for line level officers on community policing and homeland security.

#### Issuance of Non-Renewable/Non-Transferable Licenses to Non-U.S. Citizens

✓ In accordance with Senate Bill 184, the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) began issuing non-renewable/non-transferable licenses and identification cards to non-U.S. citizens who can prove legal presence in the United States. Senate Bill 184 states that individuals must prove they are U.S. Citizens before the BMV will issue a license or ID card.

✓ Non-U.S. citizens, who are here legally, will receive a non-renewable/non-transferable license or ID card for the amount of time Immigration and Naturalization Service documents allow them to be in the United States, but not more than four years. A non-renewable/non-transferable license allows individuals to drive in Ohio and other states, but it cannot be renewed or transferred to another state. The words "non-renewable and non-transferable" will appear on the driver license or ID card above the signature.

### April 2002

#### HHS Grant Application Submitted

✓ Governor Bob Taft submitted Ohio's application for federal bioterrorism funding to Secretary Tommy Thompson, who heads the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Ohio's portion - \$34 million dollars - will upgrade state and local public health infrastructure while strengthening statewide bioterrorism preparedness and planning.

### March 2002

#### Ohio Receives \$1.5 M in DoJ Homeland Security Funds

✓ Ohio receives \$1.5 million from the U.S. Department of Justice to be used by 25 counties to purchase equipment for emergency workers and first responders. Each of the counties will receive \$50,000 to purchase equipment in one of four categories: communications, detection, decontamination and personal protection.

✓ This federal grant, administered by the Ohio Emergency Management Agency, is the first allocation of federal funds to Ohio for equipment purchases as part of the joint federal/state homeland security effort and is part of the Ohio Domestic Preparedness Program coordinated by the Ohio EMA.

#### State Homeland Security Funds Released to County EMA

✓ Lt. Governor O'Connor announced the release of \$300,000 to county emergency management agencies as part of the state's Terrorism Consequence Management Preparedness Assistance (TCMPA) grant

program, coordinated by Ohio EMA.

#### Ohio Technology Leaders Meet To Discuss Future Security Collaborations

- ✓ Governor Bob Taft joined Lt. Governor Maureen O'Connor, chair of the State of Ohio Security Task Force, and Ohio technology leaders from private industry, government and state universities to take a "technology inventory" of current projects and proposed ventures that relate to state security.
- ✓ Technology experts from more than forty private and public entities, including representatives from the NASA Glenn Research Center, Battelle Memorial Institute and the Edison Biotechnology Center, outlined current projects and proposals at the half-day Security Technology Conference. Follow-up meetings will be set for the future between Task Force members and technology leaders to continue the momentum created at the conference.

## February 2002

#### Ohio Chosen by National Governors Association for Additional Homeland Aid

- ✓ Ohio will be one of eight states to receive tailored assistance to improve its homeland security and bioterrorism preparedness plans. The tailored assistance will involve a faculty of experts assessing Ohio's overall capability to respond to terrorism. Federal experts will work directly with state entities to continue to develop public health strategies, integrate public health and public safety preparedness plans, and develop strategies for communicating to citizens before, during, and after a biological terrorist incident.

#### EMS Grants Announced

- ✓ The Ohio Public Safety's Division of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and the State Board of Emergency Medical Services made available \$300,000 in EMS grants to local EMS providers for domestic preparedness training. The grant offers EMS providers the opportunity for training needed to deal with domestic preparedness issues such as: emergency response, terrorism preparedness, and bio-terrorist response.

#### Weapons of Mass Destruction/Civil Support Team Demonstration

- ✓ At the request of the State of Ohio Security Task Force, the Weapons of Mass Destruction/Civil Support Team (WMD/CST) demonstrated support capabilities to Central Ohio first responders. Ohio first responders from fire departments, EMS, County EMA offices and law enforcement can request the aid of the WMD/CST 24-7.
- ✓ The 22-member WMD/CST is organized and trained to respond to catastrophic incidents including, but not limited to environmental sampling of a suspected bio-terrorist incident such as anthrax, sampling of an unknown liquid left at a potential bio-terrorist event and/or radiation monitoring of a deliberate or accidental release from a power plant. Established more than two years ago, the Ohio team is certified through the Department of Defense.
- ✓ Additional regional demonstrations for first responders are planned for the future.

#### Thank You Messages to Ohio Soldiers

- ✓ More than 100,000 people logged onto [www.thankourtroops.com](http://www.thankourtroops.com) to send a short message to Ohio soldiers serving both here and abroad and separated from their sweethearts this Valentine's Day.

#### Community Policing Forum

- ✓ The Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services and the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police conducted a statewide forum for law enforcement and government executives on community policing and homeland security.

### Bioterrorism Exercise (SICG)

✓ The Senior Interagency Coordinating Group (SICG) conducts a bioterrorism exercise based on a plague scenario. Participants included local, county, state and federal law enforcement, local and state fire, EMS , Public Health, local state and federal emergency management, voluntary organizations, hospitals, doctors and nurses associations and many others.

### Homeland Security Intelligence Reporting System

✓ This new system developed by the Patrol and unique in the nation, will provide all Law Enforcement Automated Data System (LEADS) users the ability to submit incident information that may be useful to other law enforcement agencies in the state. The intelligence information contains categories of criminal acts, threat groups, and the location of the offense. This new tool will provide direct knowledge of criminal and suspicious activities even when enforcement action has not been taken. The information will be stored in a database by the suspected offense, and will potentially aid in our Homeland Security efforts.

## January 2002

### Business & Industry Forums

- ✓ The State of Ohio Security Task Force hosts ten Homeland Security forums to increase awareness of security factors and safety needs for Ohio communities and businesses, to identify resources available from state and local government and the private sector and to coordinate efforts of law enforcement, government and business.
- ✓ The forums are part of the Ohio Security Task Force's commitment to preparing Ohio for an effective, long-term anti-terrorism plan. Forums are held in Dayton, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Akron, Toledo, Findlay, Chillicothe, Columbus, Marietta and Youngstown.

### Nuclear Incident Exercise

- ✓ Simulated emergency exercise conducted involving Davis Besse Nuclear Plant.

### Agri-terrorism Grant Awarded

- ✓ The Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services issues a grant to The Ohio State University to study security concerns of the Ohio farming community.

## December 2001

### Creation of Ohio Homeland Security Web Site

- ✓ The State of Ohio Security Task Force develops a web site to include up-to-date information and initiatives, both statewide and nationally, with regards to homeland security.

### Statewide Emergency Response System Created

- ✓ Governor Bob Taft announces the creation of a Statewide Emergency Response System. The system will enable fire departments throughout Ohio to call for the immediate mobilization of additional resources from other fire departments in the state to assist with emergencies.

### State 3-Year Terrorism Strategy Completed

- ✓ Department of Justice mandated that every jurisdiction in every state conduct a terrorism threat, risk and needs assessment and that every state do a statewide assessment and 3-year strategy for dealing with terrorism. The Emergency Management Agency spearheaded this effort and submitted the confidential report to the federal government.

## November 2001

### Law Enforcement and First Responders Anti-Terrorism Briefings

- ✓ The Task Force holds three regional law enforcement and first responder briefings that involve the FBI, EMA, EMS, the U.S. Attorney's office, the Department of Health and the Ohio State Highway Patrol.
- ✓ More than 1000 local law enforcement and EMS attend these briefings designed to update first responders on security issues.

### Bio-security Training for Livestock Disease

- ✓ Ohio Department of Agriculture holds first responder biosecurity training for livestock disease on November 30 and December 1, 2001. Training concentrates on how to contain a contagious disease within the animal population.

### Mental Health and Substance Abuse related to September 11<sup>th</sup> attacks

- ✓ The Ohio Department of Mental Health establishes a team to develop strategies to address community mental health and substance abuse issues related to disaster response and recovery.

## October 2001

### Provide Terrorism Briefings and Tours of the Ohio EMA

- ✓ Lt. Governor O'Connor hosts briefings and tours for members of the General Assembly and their staff to update them on security measures that had been taken by the state.

### Mail Handling Seminar

- ✓ On October 19, 2001, the Department of Public Safety hosts a mail-handling training seminar for state agencies.
- ✓ Videotapes are made of the mail-handling seminar and made available for distribution to state employees and members of the business community.

### Suspicious Mail Inspections

- ✓ Troopers investigate all suspicious letters and packages sent to state buildings.

### HazMat Sensitivity Security Visits

- ✓ Public Utilities Commission of Ohio conducts 906 HazMat Sensitivity Visits throughout Ohio. In addition, inspectors visit 31 "high consequence" facilities including oil refineries and explosive manufacturers.

### Car Bomb Exercise

- ✓ On October 30, 2001, the State Fire Marshal's Office hosts an exercise depicting a car bomb incident.

### Ohio State Highway Patrol Assigned to FBI Terrorist Task Force

- ✓ Ohio State Highway Patrol continues to work with state and local law enforcement agencies regarding safety throughout the state. Working on precautionary measures with fire departments and emergency management agencies. Working with local FBI offices in Ohio. Troopers have been assigned to serve as members on FBI Terrorist Task Forces.

## September 2001

### Statehouse Memorial Service

- ✓ Governor hosts a state memorial service for the victims of the September 11<sup>th</sup> attacks in the Statehouse

Atrium. The service is open to the public and all state employees are encouraged to attend.

✓ Governor issues a proclamation ordering the flying of flags at half-staff on state-owned property as a show of sympathy for the victims.

#### Task Force One

✓ Lt. Governor Maureen O'Connor leads a delegation to Ground Zero in New York City. The Lt. Governor, Ohio Emergency Management Agency Director Dale Shipley, and state Fire Marshal Robert Rielage meet up with the Ohio Task Force One at the Jacob Javits Center in Manhattan.

✓ The delegation shows that Ohioans are behind them, praying for their safety and success in the line of duty. The delegation delivers a letter from Governor Bob Taft and brings Ohio flags and Ohio pins, 80 pints of Graeters ice cream, more than 200 Cheryl's cookies, dog biscuits for the canine team, and most importantly, letters of encouragement and pictures from local school children, family and friends.

✓ Governor welcomes back Task Force One at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. The Governor provides the members with a personal welcome-back letter, an Ohio flag, and a certificate to receive a free overnight stay at one of the Ohio parks.

#### Executive Order to Lift Regulatory Restrictions

✓ Governor issues an Executive Order to allow quicker access by emergency crews to the NY disaster area.

✓ The Governor temporarily lifts regulatory waivers on inter-state commercial truck travel to allow trucks containing rescue workers and supplies quicker access to NY. The temporary waiver applies to all commercial motor vehicles that will travel through Ohio while transporting food, clothing, other supplies and relief workers and equipment to designated terrorist disaster areas.

#### State Building Security Review Committee Reactivated

✓ Governor Bob Taft reactivates the State Building Security Review Committee.

✓ On October 19, 2001, the committee issues its report to the Governor and Ohio General Assembly. The report contains nineteen points designed to ensure the safety and security of Ohio's state-owned and occupied facilities.

#### State of Ohio Security Task Force Created

✓ Governor Taft appoints Lt. Governor O'Connor to chair the State of Ohio Security Task Force to develop a coordinated, integrated, comprehensive, state strategy to address security issues by strengthening our state preparedness at all levels of government.

#### Heighten Alert for Ohio State Highway Patrol

✓ Troopers are paying extra attention to behavior of individuals in state-owned and operated buildings and on all Ohio roads and highways.

#### Increased Security in State Buildings

✓ Troopers are visible and attentive to personnel and visitors to state buildings in Columbus, Toledo and Cleveland.

#### Increased Metropolitan Area Patrols

✓ Troopers are patrolling highways around Columbus, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Toledo, Dayton and Youngstown.

#### Weigh Stations Open 24 Hours for Security Checks

- ✓ Troopers and motor carrier enforcement inspectors are stepping up inspection of motor carriers transporting hazardous materials. More than 100 troopers and motor carrier enforcement inspectors are assigned to this task.

#### Deploys the Ohio National Guard to Secure Ohio's Major Airports

- ✓ Governor Taft deploys over 166 members of the Ohio National Guard to secure Ohio's six major airports.

### May 2001

#### Foot-and-Mouth Disease Preparedness Drill

- ✓ A tabletop emergency preparedness drill for foot-and-mouth disease is held for state and federal agency employees at the Ohio Emergency Operations Center. The exercise took attendees through a two-day outbreak scenario, and helped the state reach important awareness-building, training and planning goals to prepare for a potential outbreak in Ohio.

### April 2001

#### Senate Agriculture Committee Briefing on Livestock Disease Threats

- ✓ Agriculture Director Fred L. Dailey presents the Ohio Department of Agriculture's preventative measures for foot-and-mouth disease and BSE (mad cow disease) preparedness. These and other dangerous foreign animal diseases are potential vehicles for bio-terrorism.

### March 2001

#### Health Alert Network

- ✓ ODH develops the Health Alert Network, an e-mail based communication network between ODH and local health departments.

#### Ohio Department of Agriculture Works With USDA to Prevent Introduction of Foot-and-Mouth Disease in Ohio

- ✓ The Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) continues working with its federal counterparts to prevent the introduction of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) into Ohio and the United States. ODA sets up a toll-free FMD telephone helpline, 1-800-300-9755, to answer questions about this animal disease and what precautionary measures people should take against it.
- ✓ ODA continues its work on several fronts to help prevent the spread of FMD to the U.S. and Ohio. FMD is a reportable disease in Ohio, meaning any person who suspects an animal is infected is required by state law to report it to ODA. Since early March the department has been stepping up disease surveillance at and providing fact sheets to state-inspected slaughter plants, state-licensed dairy farms, livestock shows, livestock auctions, and concentration yards across Ohio.

### February 2001

#### Change in Disease Reporting System

- ✓ ODH adopts a change in its Class A-1 disease reporting requirements that include smallpox and "unusual events."

### November 2000 - January 2001

#### Regional Planning Workshops

- ✓ Ohio EMA conducts regional planning workshops for all counties to participate in using the "Basic



Guidance for Anti-Terrorism Planning" guide and other reference materials to aid in writing a terrorism plan.

#### Senior Official's Workshops

✓ Ohio EMA provides Senior Official's Workshops to elected officials and community leaders with concepts and planning issues that are unique to terrorism and WMD incidents.

### August 2000

#### Establish the Anti-Terrorism Section at the Ohio EMA

- ✓ Provides and coordinates training for anti-terrorism activities
- ✓ Administers programs
- ✓ Monitors grants for anti-terrorism activities
- ✓ Compiles and updates the State Threat, Risk and Needs Assessment and the Three-year Strategic Plan
- ✓ Interfaces with counties on threat, risk and needs assessments

### July 2000 - May 2001

#### Regional Training for Terrorism Threat, Risk and Needs Assessment

✓ Ohio EMA coordinates training that provides a multi-disciplined approach to awareness, prevention and response for such vulnerabilities as terrorism, the use of weapons of mass destruction and the effects of these weapons. Each county completes a terrorism threat, risk and needs assessments in order to receive grant funding from the Department of Justice.

### June 2000

#### Ohio Conference on Terrorism and Domestic Preparedness

- ✓ In June 2000, Lt. Gov. Maureen O'Connor sponsors the State of Ohio Conference on Terrorism and Domestic Preparedness.
- ✓ Ohio EMA coordinates this conference that focuses on issues surrounding the two phases of domestic terrorism: crisis and consequence management.

### March 2000

#### Anthrax Threat Satellite Broadcast

✓ Lt. Governor Maureen O'Connor leads discussion with representatives from the Ohio Department of Health, the State Fire Marshal, FBI, and Ohio EMA on how to handle anthrax threats. The satellite broadcast is viewed in 65 counties.

### 2000

#### Expansion of Ohio Justice Information Network

✓ The Ohio Justice Information Network expands to serve as an extranet to a broad range of criminal justice practitioners, and creates a controlled access network for sharing information. The first pilot is developed and funded and creates an ability to link local and state government agencies, and help track criminals.

### August 1999

#### Bioterrorism Funds Received

✓ ODH receives its first round of bioterrorism funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

## March 1999

### Ohio Receives FEMA Assistance

- ✓ Ohio EMA receives its first round of funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for assistance with terrorism planning, training and exercise.

## 1999

### Public Health Lab

- ✓ ODH expands public health lab capacity to include rapid testing for anthrax.

## 1998

### Terrorism Conference

- ✓ The University of Akron hosts the conference, in cooperation with the Ohio EMA.
- ✓ Speakers at the conference include officials from Israel, Ireland and numerous federal and state agencies.

### Ohio Mobile Medical Response System (OMMRS)

- ✓ Objectives of the Nunn-Lugar-Dominci City programs focus on providing local stockpiles of medical supplies for First Responders and other victims affected by a WMD event.
- ✓ The Ohio system compliments the city programs through the use of strategically placed mobile caches of decontamination equipment and related supplies.

## 1997

### Created the Senior Interagency Coordinating Group (SICG)

- ✓ The Emergency Management Agency creates group to explore resources, coordinate efforts, give guidance, identify needs and provide technical assistance, as they relate to terrorism issues in Ohio.
- ✓ In December 2000, the SICG increases to include state associations, businesses, and related federal and volunteer agencies as partners with state agencies.

### Ohio Domestic Preparedness Program (ODPP)

- ✓ The Department of Justice announces and kicks off their Federal Domestic Preparedness Program (FDPP) in Columbus, Ohio. This program identifies the 120 most populous cities in the U.S. Once cities complete their required training, they are given funding for equipment to support the anti-terrorism efforts in their area. Six cities in Ohio (Akron, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, and Toledo) participate in this program.
- ✓ The Ohio Emergency Management Agency creates its own Domestic Preparedness Program to expand weapons of mass destruction training to cover the next twenty-five largest counties, which raises coverage of Ohio's population from 43% to 80%.

### Nunn-Lugar-Dominci (NLD) Exercise Participation

- ✓ Federal counterparts develop credible scenarios for participants.
- ✓ Conduct Chemical and Biological Tabletop Exercises.
- ✓ Full Scale Chemical Exercises are hosted in each of the major metropolitan areas.

## 1996

### ODH Arrest

- ✓ ODH facilitates arrest and seizure of Larry Wayne Harris for attempting to purchase first known case of bio-terrorist substance.

### Communication System Enhancement

✓ The Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services initiates discussions on the need to connect local law enforcement for communications and data sharing purposes. These talks lead to the creation of the Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS). CJIS serves as a model for processing and sharing criminal justice information among government agencies. The system allows for the seamless transfer of crime data to help government agencies share information accurately – and quickly.

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### **How can I ensure my workplace is safe?**

The State Building Security Review Committee, chaired by Lt. Governor Maureen O'Connor, recently reviewed all current safety measures in state-owned and state-operated buildings. The committee submitted its nineteen recommendations in a [report](#) to Governor Taft and the General Assembly.

Some suggestions that could be incorporated include: having a security guard on staff; conducting mail training for employees; searching incoming packages, parcels and bags; and requiring employees to wear clearly displayed identification badges.

The Task Force suggests that Ohio businesses use this report and incorporate many of the practices to heighten security their respective workplaces.

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### **What's the safest way to handle the mail?**

In an effort to educate Ohioans on the safest way to handle mail, the State of Ohio Security Task Force provided free training videos to state agencies and Ohio businesses on how to assess, identify and handle suspicious letters and packages when hand sorting mail.

The training also outlines how and who to contact in the case of a mail emergency.

Additional written materials available at:

- ✓ [Ohio Department of Health](#)
  - ✓ [Ohio State Highway Patrol](#)
  - ✓ [University of Akron training presentation](#)
  - ✓ [Guidelines from United States Postal Service on suspicious mail handling](#)
  - ✓ [Guidelines from the Center for Disease Control on suspicious mail handling](#)
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### **Upcoming State of Ohio Security Task Force events**

[The Governor's Homeland Security Forum is scheduled for Monday, September 9](#) from 10 am to noon at the Ohio Department of Transportation Auditorium (1980 W. Broad Street). The public is invited to attend the open forum which will update Ohioans on what has happened with regards to homeland security in Ohio over the past twelve months.

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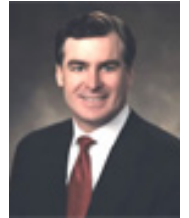


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### SCHWEIKER ADMINISTRATION BOLSTERS SECURITY ACROSS PENNSYLVANIA FOR UPCOMING FOURTH OF JULY HOLIDAY

#### FREILINO TAKES HELM AS STATE'S NEW HOMELAND SECURITY DIRECTOR

Pledges to build on strong partnership with federal, local partners.



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PA Homeland Security Director Earl Freilino leads a July 1st briefing on the Commonwealth's readiness for the Fourth of July holiday. Joining Director Freilino outside of State Police headquarters in Harrisburg are (from l. to r.) state Transportation Secretary Bradley Mallory; State Police Lt. Col. Robert Werts; PEMA Director David Smith; Maj. Gen. William Lynch, state Adjutant General; and state Health Secretary Robert Zimmerman, Jr.

federal agencies coordinating our emergency response and preparedness activities.

I encourage you to spend some time on Pennsylvania's Homeland Security web site, and become more familiar with the state's efforts to protect our communities and combat terrorism in the 21st Century. Remaining vigilant and working together, we can ensure a safer, more prosperous Pennsylvania today...and for generations to come. Sincerely, Mark Schweiker Governor

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### **A Message from Governor**

#### **Mark Schweiker:**

No issue is more important to Pennsylvanians than the safety and security of our families and communities. I have made it my Administration's top priority, and we are moving swiftly to build on the Commonwealth's anti-terrorism initiative and increase its overall state of readiness.

With new threats to our communities comes a growing need for reliable information. To that end, Pennsylvania has launched its own Homeland Security website, providing quick access to updated information on public safety and security efforts at all levels.

This web site provides the most current information relating to health and environmental issues, answers frequently asked questions, and links you directly to state and



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**Gov. Schweiker thanks National Guardsmen and State Police Troopers at the Limerick Generating Station in Montgomery County. On Nov. 2, Gov. Schweiker directed the National Guard to join State Police in a joint mission to bolster security at the state's five nuclear facilities.**

**If you observe activities or have information that you believe should be reported, call 911 for immediate threats, local police for other response and initial assessment, or the Pennsylvania State Police Tip Line toll free at **1-888-292-1919**.  
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**SCHWEIKER ADMINISTRATION BOLSTERS SECURITY ACROSS PENNSYLVANIA  
FOR UPCOMING FOURTH OF JULY HOLIDAY**

*PA Homeland Security Director says working partnerships  
in place in all areas, at all levels*

**PENNDOT announces stepped-up truck-safety inspections on roadways**  
Health Department launches new disease-reporting,  
bio-surveillance systems

HARRISBURG (July 1) -- Answering Gov. Mark Schweiker's call to keep Pennsylvania safe and secure on all fronts, state Homeland Security Director Earl Freilino today called the Commonwealth's state of readiness "appropriate" and "well-coordinated" for the upcoming Fourth of July holiday.

During a briefing at State Police Headquarters near Harrisburg, Director Freilino highlighted Pennsylvania's front-line homeland-security initiatives to ensure a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend in all communities. He was joined by several Schweiker Administration cabinet officers, as well as federal agency representatives.

"In Pennsylvania, homeland security is a unified effort," Director Freilino said. "Under Gov. Schweiker's leadership, we have established solid working partnerships in all areas and at all levels -- federal, state and local. Having those partnerships already in place gives us a 'built-in' advantage, especially when a highly celebrated holiday is upon us.

"Because of the nature of the Fourth of July and what it means to all Americans, there is a need to be extra vigilant and to take some precautionary measures that enhance security in our communities and on our roadways," Freilino continued. "And while to date Pennsylvania has received no credible threat, over the past several weeks we have been 'leaning forward' to maintain a heightened sense of vigilance and readiness consistent with the current risk assessment as determined by the national Office of Homeland Security.

"That's why today the Schweiker Administration sends a reassuring signal that we are doing all we

can to safeguard our communities, and encourages Pennsylvanians to have a safe and happy Fourth of July."

Director Freilino said that in recent weeks, the Schweiker Administration had created a multi-agency task force to address specific security issues for the Fourth of July holiday. Comprised of 20 state agencies, federal agencies and private entities, the task force has set both short- and long-term security goals, and has begun implementing numerous precautionary measures for the long holiday weekend.

Additionally, Director Freilino cited steps taken by numerous other groups to enhance public safety, including the Anti-Terrorism Task Forces in each of the three federal Judicial Districts; the Joint Terrorism Task Forces in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia; the Port Security Task Force in Philadelphia; Pennsylvania's Nine Regional Counter-Terrorism Task Forces; and strong partnerships between local governments and associations, corporate citizens and academic entities.

"Some of the precautions being taken will be more visible - such as increased State Police patrols on our highways, and others will not be as visible due to security concerns," Director Freilino said. "Either way, I stand here confident today that Pennsylvania's poise and preparedness remains high."

With heightened awareness and increased travel over the holiday period, state Transportation Secretary Bradley Mallory announced at today's briefing that the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PENNDOT) will be stepping up truck-safety inspections. He said PENNDOT also will have variable-message boards at the interstate crossings into Pennsylvania with the message about Pennsylvania's increased motor-carrier enforcement.

"Inspectors have been given information on what to look for in regards to drivers and vehicles, and to include checks of the status of driver's licenses," Secretary Mallory said. "Inspectors will be concentrating on the driver but also will have the ability to check the load should circumstances warrant it.

"If they detect something suspicious, they will be able to contact State Police, as well as the FBI with the information."

Secretary Mallory noted that inspection teams will not be working 24 hours a day at any site, but rather will work on varying schedules and at various locations throughout the Commonwealth to minimize the possibility of "by-passers."

Also today, Health Secretary Robert Zimmerman Jr. announced that the Health Department is going "live" with a new disease reporting system in Pennsylvania -- the National Electronic Disease Surveillance System (NEDSS). NEDSS provides a two-way communication network across the Commonwealth that allows physicians, hospitals and laboratories to securely report unusual diseases or symptoms. NEDSS also allows real-time information sharing between the Department of Health and front-line staff.

"Today, our NEDSS system goes live," Secretary Zimmerman said. "Even though the timing coincides with the July 4 weekend, this is a system that will be used 24-7, available every day, every week.

"In addition to expanding the tracking and analysis of disease outbreaks, NEDSS will help us

increase preparedness and responsiveness to bioterrorism attacks. We are going to use it as the foundation for a new biosurveillance system with early-warning capability for detecting symptoms that may indicate a potential bioterrorism incident."

Secretary Zimmerman said this "syndromic surveillance system" will collect data from existing information systems in hospitals, poison centers, pharmacies and other industries, and will analyze the data in real-time for patterns indicating disease outbreaks. All data will be transmitted through the NEDSS system.

Other notable precautionary measures announced today by Director Freilino include:

- State Police will have more troopers than usual on the road this Fourth of July, both to conduct traffic-law enforcement programs and to be in a better position to respond to security concerns;
- Additional security measures are being taken in the Capitol Complex, as well as state-owned buildings across the Commonwealth;
- Security is being enhanced in and around Pennsylvania's three ports -- Philadelphia, Erie and Pittsburgh;
- State Police and National Guardsmen continue in a joint security mission at Pennsylvania's five nuclear facilities, and at Gov. Schweiker's direction will remain there through Dec. 31;
- The Department of Agriculture has reached out to over 500 organizations regarding safety and security at amusement parks, fairs and carnivals;
- The Department of Environmental Protection continues to work closely with water-treatment plants, nuclear-power plants and others in their regulated community to ensure they are in a state of readiness;
- The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources has provided security training and education for front-line park employees;
- Pennsylvania's Office of Homeland Security distributed a letter on heightened awareness and vigilance to 80,000 state employees, and another letter will go out today to all local governments and municipal police departments; and
- The Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency and the state Emergency Operations Center remain on call and ready to respond around the clock.

"As I stand here today, I am proud of the efforts and the progress made by Pennsylvania," Director Freilino said. "And that progress is only going to continue. Without question, the more than \$200 million for Homeland Security in the state budget Gov. Schweiker signed over the weekend is going to help greatly -- a second Urban Search and Rescue Team; new in-roads in bio-surveillance; completion of the Statewide Public Safety Radio Network; and the launch of Community Emergency Response Teams. Those are just some the highlights of the budget and certainly a positive sign of the good things to come in the name of a safer, more secure Pennsylvania."

Other state officials attending today's briefing included State Adjutant General William Lynch; David Smith, Director of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency; Lt. Col. Robert G. Werts of the State Police; Agriculture Secretary Sam Hayes; and Eric Conrad, Deputy Secretary for the Department of Environmental Protection.

Among the federal representatives attending were Special Agent Gary Legore of the FBI's Harrisburg Office; A. Randolph Bloough, Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region 1; and Lt. Commander David Ford and Senior Chief Mike Destefano of the United States Coast Guard.

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Summary of the Governor's Executive Order  
The Office of Homeland Security & the Homeland Security Council

The Governor will establish the Office of Homeland Security that will be headed by the Special Advisor to the Governor for Homeland Security – General R.S. “Steve” Siegfried, (Ret.)

The mission of the Office will be to develop and coordinate the implementation of a comprehensive strategy to secure the State of South Carolina from terrorist threats or attacks. The Office will coordinate the executive branch's efforts to detect, prepare for, prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from terrorist attacks within South Carolina and the United States.

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Welcome to South Dakota's Homeland Security web site.

The world changed forever on September 11<sup>th</sup>. South Dakota, America and the world will never again be the same. We now need to be concerned about safety issues that we've never had to worry about before. We're concerned with the safety of our airports, water and food supplies, electrical and gas utility systems, and security at events such as football games and inaugurations. Like I said the world changed forever.

This web site was developed as a resource for you. It provides you with easily accessible information on terrorism and our efforts to combat it. Citizens are the first line of defense against terrorism and I want you to be as knowledgeable as possible. I hope you find this helpful.

May God bless South Dakota and America!

Bill Janklow

## National Homeland Security Advisory System

As part of a series of initiatives to improve coordination and communication among all levels of government and the American public in the fight against terrorism, President Bush signed Homeland Security Presidential Directive 3, creating the Homeland Security Advisory System (HSAS). The advisory system will be the foundation for building a comprehensive and effective communications structure for the dissemination of information regarding the risk of terrorist attacks to all levels of government and the American people.

View more information:

[White House Press Release](#) (PDF)

[HSAS Security Advisory FAQ's](#) (PDF)

[www.homelandsecurity.gov](http://www.homelandsecurity.gov)

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### **Most Wanted Terrorists**

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Deputy to the Governor

The mission of the Office of Homeland Security is to develop and coordinate the implementation of a comprehensive strategy to secure the state of Tennessee from terrorist threats and attacks. The Office interacts with the National Office of Homeland Security and coordinates State Homeland Security actions through the Homeland Security Council. We are committed and privileged to serve the citizens of this great state in this vital task of assuring a safe and healthy environment.

*Serving and Protecting the  
Homeland of Tennessee*



## HOMELAND SECURITY ADVISORY SYSTEM

**SEVERE**  
SEVERE RISK OF  
TERRORIST ATTACKS

**HIGH**  
HIGH RISK OF  
TERRORIST ATTACKS

**ELEVATED**  
SIGNIFICANT RISK OF  
TERRORIST ATTACKS

**GUARDED**  
GENERAL RISK OF  
TERRORIST ATTACKS

**LOW**  
LOW RISK OF  
TERRORIST ATTACKS

**Current United States  
Threat Condition - Yellow  
ELEVATED**

**Current Tennessee  
Threat Condition - Yellow  
ELEVATED**



Current Threat Level



## ★ **Homeland Security**

### **Texas Department of Public Safety Counter-terrorism Intelligence Unit**

If you have information regarding suspicious or criminal activity that may be terrorist related, contact the Texas Department of Public Safety, Special Crimes Service, Counter Terrorism Intelligence Unit, at (512) 424-2200 or (800) 252-5402 from 8 AM to 5 PM, Monday through Friday. (For after hours assistance, please contact your local [Texas Department of Public Safety Communications Center](#)).

### **Current Texas Situation Reports**

The Governor's Division of Emergency Management compiles a variety of information relating to current fire, weather, flooding and other emergency conditions.

### **Governor's Task Force on Homeland Security**

Governor Rick Perry created the Task Force on Homeland Security to ensure that Texas is doing all it can to prevent a possible terrorist attack. The "[useful links](#)" connection will provide connection to other terrorism-related sites.

### **Federal Office of Homeland Security**

President Bush's Office of Homeland Security site provides information about the current national terrorism threat level and as well as a [Citizens' Preparedness Guidebook](#) and other resources to help citizens prepare for any type of disaster.

## ★ **Emergency Management**

### **Governor's Division of Emergency Management**

The Division of Emergency Management provides emergency response resources and information about disaster preparedness.

### **Federal Emergency Management**

The Federal Emergency Management Agency provides information about national disaster response and assistance.

## ★ **Health and Terrorism**

### **Texas Department of Health**

The Texas Department of Health has compiled information about bioterrorism for the general public and health providers. The department's [bioterrorism](#) Internet site also provides specific disease control information and fact sheets.

### **Centers for Disease Control**

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention provides information on health and disease-related issues including [anthrax and public health emergency preparedness and response](#).

## ★ **Volunteer to Help**

### **Citizen Corps**

President Bush's Citizen Corps has created a network of volunteer efforts to harness the power of the American people by relying on their individual skills and interests to prepare local communities to prevent and respond to the threats of terrorism or any kind of disaster.







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## Homeland Security

Current Nationwide threat level:

**ELEVATED**

For more information on the Homeland Security Advisory System, [click here](#)



### E-Team is back online!!!

[Click here](#) for access. If you have questions or problems, please [contact us](#).

## DROUGHT INFORMATION

Utah is currently experiencing its fourth consecutive year of drought. DES is working with our local, state and federal partners to aid those impacted by the drought. Earlier this year, Governor Mike Leavitt signed a statewide disaster declaration and several counties have as well.

There are things you can do to help. Visit the following sites to find out more:

Drought Information:

- [Governor's Drought Declaration](#)
- [News Release from Governor's Office](#)
- [Utah Department of Agriculture and Food](#)
- [National Oceanic & Atmospheric Adm.](#)

Water Conservation:

[Utah Division of Water Resources](#)

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[Red Cross Drought Recommendation](#)

**Be careful with fire or you might get burned!**

Because of the drought, the potential for wildfires is extremely high this summer statewide. Visit the following websites to learn more about preventing wildfires and protecting your home:

[FEMA Revion VIII](#)

[Utah Forestry, Fire & State Lands](#)

[U.S. Forest Service](#)

[National Interagency Fire Center](#)

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The Vermont Department of Public Safety Homeland Security Unit has compiled this information in an effort to keep the citizens of Vermont and its first responder community informed of the most up to date terrorism related information. The Homeland Security Unit recognizes that state and local government, emergency first responders and the citizens of the state must work together toward the common goal of protecting all Vermonters.

We know that you will find this information helpful. With your assistance we look forward to securing a safer future for Vermont.

### **NEW Upcoming Training For First Responders**

### **9/10/02 - Press Conference - Elevated Threat Level Advisory**

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John H. Hager

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The Office of the Assistant to the Governor for Commonwealth Preparedness works with and through others including the private sector to promote security and preparedness in Virginia.

#### Highlights

**The next Secure Virginia Initiative Panel meeting is October 15, 2002.**

**[Regional Homeland Security Summit Brings Together Virginia, Maryland and D.C.](#)** -- Governor Warner press

release, Aug. 5, 2002

**[Read the National Capital Region Summit On Homeland Security Joint Statement](#)** (in Acrobat PDF)

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**The Secure Virginia Panel has released their 2nd report, including summary recommendations. September 5, 2002**

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Click here to **[download a printable form of the Guidebook](#)** (Acrobat PDF).



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#### Current Nationwide Threat Level

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- [What To Do If You Receive An Anthrax Threat](#) (USPS)
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### **Law Enforcement**

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## State of Wyoming

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The Counter Terrorism Commission was formed by Governor Geringer on October 2, 2001. The commission consists of four members and four subcommittees and General MacMillan is chairman. The four subcommittees are: (1) Threats, Targets & Vulnerabilities, (2) Prevention & Intelligence, (3) Consequence Management & Recovery, and (4) Legislation. The Commission oversees and coordinates all state level activities relative to domestic security and terrorism. The Commission meets as necessary and reports to the Governor every three months, or as directed, on progress toward meeting specific objectives.

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